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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Eicher *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/511,267

Filed: February 23, 2000

For: **Cartridge for a Liquid**



Art Unit: 1615

Examiner: *To be Assigned*

Atty. Docket: 0652.2020002/LEA/ALF

Preliminary Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendment into the application prior to the examination thereof.

Please amend the captioned application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-38 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. Please add the following new claims:

Sub B1 1-39. A cartridge for a liquid, which can be connected to a dispensing device, the dispensing device including an upper portion for receiving the cartridge and a lower portion which can be pushed over the connected cartridge, the upper portion of the device being provided with a connection portion for the cartridge and with a dispensing connection portion for drawing off the liquid, the cartridge comprising:

a stiff outer casing;